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Wendy, Charlotte and Nate – Will you have any comments on our draft memo to the IG and the Scientific Integrity Official?

AND a big thank you to Nate, **Ex. 5 AC/DP**

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Dear PTSLO and GLO – On Monday June 28, OCSPP Assistant Administrator Michal Freedhoff received from PEER a copy of a letter they had just sent to Representative Ro Khanna. (See first attachment.) The letter alleges that certain OCSPP career managers and staff violated EPA's Scientific Integrity Policy. Michal is

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**We would be grateful for your review** of the draft memo, ideally by COB Thursday July 1. We would like to finalize and send the memo on Thursday July 1 or Friday July 2. Please send us any thoughts or comments you have. Thank you so much.

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